

REMARKS

Claim Amendments

Claims 26-54 are pending in the instant application. New Claims 39-54 have been added herein to recite a methods using immunostimulatory oligonucleotide compounds comprising an immunostimulatory dinucleotide of formula 5'-pyrimidine-purine-3', wherein pyrimidine is a natural or non-natural pyrimidine nucleoside and purine is a natural or non-natural purine nucleoside, and wherein the immunostimulatory oligonucleotide compound is conjugated to an antigen or vaccine.. Support for New Claims 39-54 can be found throughout the specification, and in Claims 9 and 26-38 as originally filed. No new matter has been added.

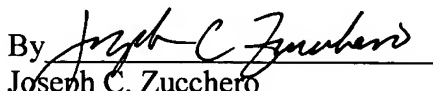
CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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